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MS. SCHEFFY: We'll plan on it. Thank you, 1 2 Your Honor. THE COURT: Any other matters for discussion, 3 recognizing that it is almost noon? 4 5 MS. BRENNEKE: Your Honor, this may not be a substantive matter to address in this moment. We did want to 6 raise some issues having to do with the post mandamus 7 financial document production. The parties are still working -- GEO had a date certain by which it was to produce those documents. They did produce some of those documents. 10 We are in dialogue right now about supplementing those. 11 There is one document, however, that we have met and 12 conferred about where we have a disagreement as to whether 13 they are going to produce an unredacted version of a one-page 14 15 letter in which GEO has estimated the cost necessary to achieve compliance with minimum wage for the plaintiffs in 16 17 this case and others. Whether or not we want to talk about that now and have a 18 ruling or make time somehow for us to do that next week, we 19 feel like that issue is ripe for the Court's involvement. 20 THE COURT: What has been cut out of the letter? 21 22 MS. BRENNEKE: I have a copy of the letter here. Ι 23 have copies for everyone. There are large sections redacted. What is pertinent is that this is a letter from GEO to ICE 24 25 seeking a request for equitable adjustment in a certain

amount. The amount has been blacked out. The total amounts for request for equitable adjustment have been blacked out. The legal expenses have been blacked out. Frankly, we don't care about those. We are looking at the underlying issues. There is a large block that says that -- that follows the sentence, "We have conducted an estimation of the costs necessary to achieve compliance with the plaintiffs."

In that block, we are imagining that for each state, there was probably that assessment of what it would cost them.

This is very clearly a measure of the value of the work of the detainees in those places. That would go both to our liability and damages. We request it be produced in an unredacted form.

THE COURT: What is the secret? This is a letter from the government contractor to the government? What is the secret?

MR. BARNACLE: Your Honor, what is redacted, in fact, is not responsive in any way to what was ordered on the Ninth Circuit's mandamus. It required the disclosure of specific information to the Northwest Detention Center.

Counsel just represented that she thinks it is broken down by state. It is not. It is an aggregate of a number that applies to every facility across the country, which is not ordered by the mandamus order. It is being withheld on those grounds. It is not ordered by mandamus. It is not relevant

to this case. It is not broken down for the Northwest Detention Center.

MS. BRENNEKE: Your Honor, if it would assist the Court, we have a copy of that letter here.

I guess I have two points in response. One is that if there is only an aggregate analysis, then we should have that aggregate analysis. We know from other financial records, discovery, that there is probably some underlying backup that the facility -- or that the corporation has conducted that would have, you know, the spreadsheets or whatever it is that they use to determine that. We would also ask that be produced.

May I approach the Court?

THE COURT: No. I hate to say this, if you can't agree, you should make a motion.

I find it hard to believe that after all this, you can't agree on these things. I would have to go back and look at my order that was affirmed and apply it to this document.

You know, I have other things going on around here, too. I am starting what looks like a month-long case on Monday. If you can't agree, make a motion and we will deal with it.

It is hard for me to -- you know, I am not a government contractor. I am a government employee, I guess, not a contractor. It is always hard for me to understand what the big deal is. Why can't we have open government? What is the

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big deal? There may be some big deal. It gives you a right to keep things back, but I don't know. Because I don't know the answer to this, I don't want to rule on it without full briefing.

Okay. Anything else? You have burned into my lunch hour.
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MS. SCHEFFY: This may be something for briefing. We have been contacted about ICE about the photographs taken of the site inspection. You may recall your order had advised counsel for both sides to be cautious not to photograph the faces of detainees.

THE COURT: Photograph what?

MS. SCHEFFY: Faces of detainees, their likeness.

About 557 photos have photographs of detainees' faces.

ICE has asked to make the redactions and needs additional time to make those. We have reached an agreement that it could be just to those the State intends to produce at trial, but we don't have an agreement that ICE can make the redactions.

In the interest of time, it is worth getting those to ICE as soon as possible and the redactions can be disputed later. It doesn't seem there would be any reason the faces of detainees would be relevant to this claim.

MS. CHIEN: We have proposed that there are, as you heard, 557 photos -- possibly 557. I actually don't know. It is just really not efficient for ICE to sit there and